(4) Whether the mileage rate be increased if the present amount is not enough to maintain it?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.—

A.—43. (1) Only the portion between Davangere and Yemmehatty is understood to be bad; but even that is not "unfit and unsafe" as stated. Very heavy traffic, specially bus traffic of recent growth, has caused rapid deterioration of the road.

(2) The grant was fixed at Rs. 150 per mile in 1915-16 and it remains the same now.

(3) Steps are being taken to improve the bad portion of the road. A special grant of Rs. 6,000 was sanctioned during the current official year.

(4) The question is a general one and is receiving the consideration of Government.

BY MESSRS. N. CHENNABASAPPA and PATTI BASAPPA (Molakalmuru Taluk).—

Q.—44. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) How many hoblis are there in Chellakere Taluk?

(2) How many hoblis in the Molakalmuru Taluk?

(3) Total number of villages in the Chellakere Taluk.

(4) Total number of villages in the Molakalmuru Taluk.

(5) What is the area in square miles of the Chellakere Taluk?

(6) What is the area in square miles of Molakalmuru Taluk?

(7) What is the total revenue realised in Chellakere Taluk?

(8) What is the total revenue realised in Molakalmuru Taluk?

(9) (*a*) These two taluks adjoin each other; have the Government thought of making equal distribution of areas by reconstituting the hoblis in these two taluks?

(*b*) If so, when?

(*c*) And how?

(*d*) What action has so far been taken in this direction?

(*e*) How have they disposed of the question?

(*f*) From what date do the reconstitution come to effect?

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—44. (1) 4.
(2) 2.
(3) 191.
(4) 97.
(5) 796·36 square miles.
(6) 294·00 square miles.
(7) Rs. 1,82,668-6-9.
(8) Rs. 72,654-10-9.
(9) (*a*), (*b*), (*c*), (*d*), (*e*) and (*f*) After due investigation, it was decided that it would be best to leave the existing taluk boundaries undisturbed.

BY MESSRS. PATEL MAHADEVAPPA and CHENNABASAPPA (Davangere Taluk).—

Q.—45. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) Whether they have constituted local committees who are to be consulted at the time of granting scholarships to backward communities?

(*b*) In what localities have such committees been constituted and how many times have they been consulted and their views accepted?

(*c*) Whether any such committees have been constituted as regards the Middle and High Schools at Davangere? For how long are they in force?

(*d*) If any such committees are not in existence at Davangere, will the Government be pleased to have them there?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENTS.—

A.—45. (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) There is a Taluk Committee for each taluk and a District Committee for each district. Ordinarily they meet once before awarding scholarships in the first term of the school year and again before sending up recommendations for lapsed scholarships and also as often as there is need to meet.